

## MONTENEGRO REJECTS PEACE OFFER

PARIS CLAIMS  
AUSTRO PACT  
TURNED DOWN

Report Says Terms of Surrender Were Considered Unacceptable.

## KING GOING TO ITALY?

Belief Expressed That Royal Family Will Seek Safety at Rome.

Paris, Jan. 19. (via London, 2:15 p. m.)—The following official statement was issued today: "The wireless news of the surrender of the Montenegrin army appears somewhat premature. It is now announced from another source that negotiations between Austria and Montenegro have been broken, the conditions of the surrender imposed by Austria having been found quite unacceptable by Montenegro. "The king, the royal family and diplomatic corps are about to proceed to Italy."

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King Nicholas, the royal family and the diplomatic corps, the message adds, are about to proceed to Italy.

The Exchange Telegraph company's Amsterdam correspondent says that a conference of the finance ministers of Germany, Austria-Hungary, Turkey and Bulgaria will be held next week in Vienna. The chief purpose of the conference, it is said, is the discussion of the financial position of the Teutonic allies and the adoption of measures to meet certain contingencies.

## German Report.

Berlin Jan. 19 via London.—The German army headquarters staff today gave out the following official statement:

"Eastern theatre: On this front there is nothing to report except that a German air squadron attacked enemy storage depots and an aerial port at Tarnopol.

"Western front: On the Yser front a small German detachment advanced into the enemy trenches and captured one machine gun.

"During the night enemy airmen dropped bombs on Metz. So far only material damage has been reported.

"An enemy aeroplane fell this morning at a point southwest of Thaincourt. One of the occupants was killed."

ORDERS PAYMENT  
FOR ROCK ISLAND

New York, Jan. 19.—United States Judge Hough made an order today authorizing Jacob M. Dickson, receiver for the Chicago, Rock Island & Pacific Railway company to pay the interest on receivers' certificates due Jan. 3.

The order directs the receiver to make a new issue of certificates to the amount of \$2,500,000 to redeem the old certificates which matured on Jan. 3.

The new certificates are to bear interest at 5 per cent per annum and to mature on July 3.

## DAY IN CONGRESS

## SENATE.

Foreign relations committee took up action on Mexican intervention resolutions.

Indian affairs committee continued hearing on Osage land leases.

Senator Cummins spoke in favor of government armor plate and munitions factories.

## HOUSE.

Met at noon.

Gardner, Tavenner and Hensley urged rules committee to investigate individuals and organizations urging and opposing preparedness.

New Trick of  
Science May  
Spare a Life

Chicago, Jan. 19.—Gustave Mussell, who underwent a transfusion operation yesterday when at the point of death from gas poisoning, today was said by physicians to have a good chance for recovery.

Mussell was the first person in the United States to undergo the treatment, which consists of substitution of healthy blood for the gas-impregnated blood of the patient.

Doctors expressed the opinion that the transfusion treatment will prove of great value in treating cases where the ordinary methods of resuscitation have proved unavailing.

MAKE EFFORT TO  
FIX BASIC SCALE

Indianapolis, Ind., Jan. 19.—Vaan Bittner of Pittsburgh, president of the Western Pennsylvania miners, was made chairman of the scale committee of the United Mine Workers of America, appointed today by John P. White, international president of the organization. The committee's duty is to fix a basic scale on which negotiations are conducted with the mine operators throughout the country. The committee is made up of the presidents of the 24 districts.

The report of the auditing committee, made today, contained the statement that \$13,875 was expended to purchase shares for Ohio miners and their families during the 13 months' strike that ended last year. The total membership of the union on Dec. 1, 1915 was 358,498, of whom 79,448 are anthracite miners.

NO RELEASE FOR  
UPDIKE BROTHERS

Chicago Jan. 19.—A writ of habeas corpus for the release of Cleving Updike who with his brother Herbert confessed to having plotted to kill the millionaire father, Furman D. Updike, was dismissed in the criminal court today after Cleving had said he did not want to be released. Herbert Updike, who revealed the plot, remained today in the Oak Park police station. Police officials continued their investigation into the reported marriage of Herbert Updike to Nellie De Onsonne, a dancer in a West Side cabaret, and his failure to reveal the plot against his father, although aware of it some time ago.

Bomb Plot in Chinese Palace? Peking, Jan. 19.—Several servants and higher employees were arrested today in connection with an alleged bomb plot in the imperial palace. It is announced from the president's office that all those arrested have been released, as no case had been proved.

Test Case Again Postponed. Keokuk, Iowa, Jan. 19.—The hearing in Phil Nickle's test case of the repeal of the mullet law, which was set for today after being continued from last week, was again postponed this morning. Frank Ballinger, Nickle's attorney, is busy with court matters at Burlington, while County Attorney McManus is assisting the grand jury which is in session here.

## Latest Bulletins

London, Jan. 19.—Having concluded his conferences with prominent British officials, Colonel Edward M. House, personal representative of President Wilson, will depart for Paris tomorrow.

Berlin, Jan. 19.—A new offensive movement has been inaugurated by the Russians to the east of Czernowitz, near the Bessarabian frontier. The official Austrian statement of today says the Russians made four successive attacks at several places, but were repulsed.

London, Jan. 19, 4:30 p. m.—The British steamship Maraca was sunk. Her crew was rescued.

Chicago, Jan. 19.—"Strychnine sufficient to kill" was found in the vital organs of Mrs. Ida O. Waters of Mattson, Ill., according to a report made today by Dr. William D. McNally, one of Cook county's coroner's physicians.

Washington, Jan. 19.—Secretary Daniels, in transmitting to the senate naval committee Admiral Fletcher's annual report for the year ending June 30, 1915, states that steps have been taken to remedy specific complaints as to the condition of the Atlantic fleet.

SWEDEN MINDS  
INFLAMED BY  
KING'S STAND

Newspapers of the Country Clamoring Over Utterance of the Ruler.

## ARE BITTER AT BRITISH

Numerous Mistreatments at Hands of Great Britain Are Reviewed.

London, Jan. 19.—The Politiken of Copenhagen, as quoted by the Exchange Telegraph correspondent there, says that anxiety has been aroused in Stockholm by the speech at the opening of the Swedish parliament by King Gustave, who urged vigorous preparation of national defenses in view of the disregard of the belligerents of neutral rights. The speech is a subject of concern in Stockholm the correspondent says because of the seizure by the British authorities last week of a large quantity of provisions from the Swedish-American steamship Stockholm from New York to Stockholm. The action of the British authorities is criticized sharply by the Swedish press, which expresses the opinion that the value of the goods seized cannot be regarded as anything like an adequate offset to the effect of the incident on relations between Sweden and Great Britain. Some of the Swedish newspapers state that such actions are worse than an open rupture.

Hjalmar Branting, socialist leader in the second Swedish chamber, who recently visited the allied front in Flanders, is quoted by the Social Demokraten as saying that he prefers decisive action a day too early rather than a day too late, in order to save Sweden from complications.

"It is noted that King Gustave, in his speech from the throne, did not make the usual reference to the good relations of Sweden with foreign powers," the correspondent adds. "Several interpellations on foreign affairs are expected during the sessions."

London, Jan. 19.—The controversy between Great Britain and Sweden over the detention of mails have reached an impasse, with both sides stubbornly refusing to allow its rival's mails to be expedited through the respective countries.

Sweden now is holding an enormous quantity of the English post destined for Russia, while mail is being taken from every Scandinavian liner brought into Kirkwall, Scotland.

Vigorous representations are being made by the diplomats of both countries, but the controversy presents so many novel features that extensive debates may be expected.

The foreign office here takes the definite stand that a parcel, no matter what class of postage it bears, is no more entitled to protection than is ordinary freight. The neutral countries have not yet controverted this stand, but base their objections on interference and delays to which actual first class postal correspondence has been subjected.

PREPAREDNESS TO  
BE WILSON FIGHT

Washington, Jan. 19.—President Wilson today is planning to take personal charge of the fight for national preparedness.

In addition to making a personal appeal before the country in numerous addresses in support of his program for strengthening the army and navy, the president plans to hold further conferences on the subject with the leaders in congress.

Numerous reports which have come to the president of confusion over the issue in congress and uncertainty of the outcome prompted the step.

The president is said to be underlined by the open opposition of the pacifists, including William J. Bryan, and differences among advocates of national defense over the exact plans to be adopted. He is said also to be convinced that the preparedness program is the best which can be offered at this time.

Plans for the speaking trips were going forward rapidly today.

## Increase Given Navy Employees.

Washington, Jan. 19.—Increase in pay, averaging five per cent will be given master mechanics in the navy yards throughout the United States. Secretary Daniels said today he had decided to grant the increases and would make them effective probably within the next two weeks.

KAISER VISITING  
IN SERBIA WITH  
KING FERDINAND

London, Jan. 19.—Reuter's Telegram company says that Emperor William was in Nish, Serbia, yesterday. According to this information, which was forwarded from Nish by way of Berlin, the German emperor met King Ferdinand of Bulgaria at Nish.

"The monarchs greeted each other cordially," the dispatch says, "and then reviewed from the citadel a procession of Bulgarian, Macedonian and German troops."

The emperor presented King Ferdinand with a field marshal's baton and the king appointed the emperor as honorary commander of a Bulgarian infantry regiment.

Among the emperor's retinue were General von Falkenhayn, chief of the general staff; Field Marshal von Mackensen, Adjutant General von Plessen, von Chelius and von Lyncker, and Admiral von Mueller. King Ferdinand was accompanied by Princess Boris and Cyril, Premier Radoslavoff and others.

Official announcement was made in Berlin on Sunday that Emperor William has recovered his health completely and had returned to the front.

SEVEN SOLDIERS  
HELD BY BANDITS

Douglas, Ariz., Jan. 19.—Seven soldiers of the Seventh United States cavalry were captured today by Mexican bandits at Doyle Wells, 14 miles south of Hachita, N. M., according to reports received here. The surrounding country was scoured by cowboys hunting the bandits. News of the capture of the soldiers was telephoned here from Hachita.

El Paso, Texas, Jan. 19.—General John J. Pershing, commanding the 8th brigade, United States army, had received up to noon no information concerning the reported capture of seven American cavalrymen by Mexican bandits near Hachita, N. M. Railroad officials at Hachita say they had heard nothing of the reported fight.

Six bandits, believed to be Mexicans, were attacked and pursued last night by United States cavalrymen stationed at Doyle's Wells, 14 miles south of Hachita. In a brief skirmish one cavalry horse was killed but no one was hurt, according to a report brought to Hachita and received here.

## Legislature Quits Today.

Springfield, Ill., Jan. 19.—The second special session of the Illinois legislature, begun last week, is expected to complete its work today. Members of both houses have prepared to take night trains to their homes. Legislative leaders announced that instead of adjourning sine die, the session probably will be recessed until February 23, the date to which special session No. 1 was recessed.

## Building Destroyed by Fire.

Chicago, Jan. 19.—Fire which destroyed today the four story brick building occupied by the George Rasmussen company, wholesale grocers, did damage estimated at \$200,000.

Japs Drift  
to America  
in Fish Boat

Washington, Jan. 19.—A story of eight Japanese fishermen who drifted across the Pacific ocean in a small fishing boat, landed on the British Columbia shore after 24 days of hardship, reached the bureau of navigation today in consular dispatches.

The narrative tells how the fishermen, caught off the harbor of Chikoda, Japan, in a storm that carried away their vessel's mainmast and rudder, were driven eastward by ocean by ocean currents helpless and, towards the end of their trip, half starved. The boat grounded on one of the small uninhabited islands that dot the British Columbia shore, where the men remained until picked up by a passing steamer.

Only one of the party, the owner of the boat, suffered any serious ill effects from the trip.

CALIFORNIA YET  
IN FLOOD'S GRIP

Los Angeles, Cal., Jan. 19.—While flood waters from the rainstorm which has held southern California in its grip for almost four days were receding today in districts near the mountains, the rest of the flood had not reached the lowlands along the coast and it was feared these sections would be further inundated.

Telephone, telegraph and railroad service still was demoralized. Transcontinental traffic was practically at a standstill. Railroad officials said they hoped to have the overland trains moving some time today.

Five westbound trains on the Southern Pacific were stalled at Yuma, Ariz. Three Santa Fe and two Salt Lake trains were stalled in Cajon Pass by landslides.

Railroad officials said the damage from the storm was the most severe that has been suffered in this section in many years.

Redlands and a number of southern California cities which have been isolated by the floods were facing a shortage of food, but it was expected that the difficulty would be overcome without serious suffering.

IS COMING HERE  
TO BUY SUPPLIES

New York, Jan. 19.—P. P. Marcone, a representative of the National Surety company, has received information that a representative of French and Italian syndicates is on his way to this country to purchase supplies, the cost of which is estimated at \$250,000, for use after the war.

The supplies to be purchased include livestock, canned meats and vegetables, cotton, flour, grain, wire, coal, metals, lumber for railroad ties, woolen socks, blankets, draughting and scientific instruments, bandages and surgical dressings.

REPORT RYNDAM  
AGROUND ALONG  
ENGLISH COAST

London, Jan. 19. (10:30 a. m.)—The steamship Ryndam of the Holland-American line is aground at Gravesend. No report has yet been made of the extent of the damages the vessel has received. An examination is being made. In the meantime none of the passengers or crew is allowed to leave the vessel.

The Ryndam, which left New York on Jan. 5 with 79 first class, 34 second class and 35 third class passengers, as well as mail, for Rotterdam, via Falmouth, was reported in a cable dispatch yesterday as having passed Southend down by the bows, with a list to starboard and as having arrived later at Gravesend. It was added that all the passengers were saved, but that three stokers were killed and four injured, though in what form of accident it was not announced. The Ryndam was built at Belfast in 1901, is 550 feet long and is of 12,527 tons gross. She carries a crew of 200 men.

SAYS ENTENTE IS  
NEAR A COLLAPSE

London, Jan. 19.—A Reuter dispatch from Amsterdam says that at today's session of the upper house of the Prussian diet, according to dispatches from Berlin, the president once more referred to the surrender of Montenegro and said that it constitutes evidence that the entente, while outwardly appearing to be a structure of solid form, is crumbling internally and will soon collapse. He said that the splendid success of the Austrian troops at Lovcen is a favorable omen for the definite result of the war.

NIECE OF TEDDY  
CLAIMED INSANE

London, Jan. 19.—Miss Ethlyn Lalande of New York, who claims to be a niece of Theodore Roosevelt, has been detained by the police for an examination into her sanity.

If her relatives in New York will send for her, the police say they will send her home without proceeding with action to have her committed to an English asylum. Miss Lalande came here on war relief work.

## THE WEATHER

Forecast Till 7 P. M. Tomorrow, for Rock Island, Davenport, Moline and vicinity.

Snow or rain and warmer tonight and Thursday with the lowest temperature tonight about 20 degrees. Increasing southerly winds.

Temperature at 7 a. m. 7. Highest yesterday 11, lowest last night 5.

Velocity of wind at 7 a. m. 4 miles per hour.

Relative humidity at 7 p. m. 77, at 7 a. m. 90, at 1 p. m. today 92.

Stage of water 8.9, a rise of .1 in last 24 hours.

J. M. SHERIER, Local Forecaster.

WAR LEECHES  
STRUCK BLOW  
BY CUMMINS

Senator From Iowa Urges Government Manufacture of All Munitions.

## FIGHT AS LAST RESORT

Country Should Not Enter Conflict Unless No Other Thing to Do.

Washington, Jan. 19.—Elimination of private profit as an influence for war by government manufacture of all war munitions was urged in the senate today by Senator Cummins of Iowa, republican. He pleaded for prompt adoption of his resolution which would authorize a special committee to inquire into the most feasible plan for acquiring and constructing plants to supply the army and navy with all arms, ammunition and equipment, including ships and to report on the legislation necessary to prevent private manufacture of such products.

## War as Last Resort.

"I agree that war may come to this country," Senator Cummins declared, "but if it comes it must be the result of the calm, dispassionate, royal purpose to meet the awful scourge because there is no other way of defending our civilization, our institutions and our honor."

"I do not assert that every person or corporation which may profit from war would incite war, but I do assert that all such persons and associations are not competent to judge the controversies which may lead to conflict, and inasmuch as they cannot be removed from the great panel of the republic, they ought to be removed from the business out of which the interest grows. It ought to be made impossible, so far as the power of the government is concerned, for any man or corporation to make money out of war."

## Need Re-baptism.

"We need just now, above all other things, a re-baptism in Americanism. To me Americanism means a spirit that commands men to live for their country, and, if necessary, to die for it; but I, for one, am not willing that Americanism shall be defined and standardized by millionaire munitions makers or by the brokers, bankers or backers who share their bloodstained profits."

"In this critical moment, what is the attitude of the makers of arms and munitions? Without exception, so far as I know, they are insisting on the most comprehensive program which it is possible to conceive, and they are employing all forces at their command for a completeness of preparation that would turn this country into a military camp and practically destroy all ambition, save the ambition to overcome by force of arms the entire world."

## Between the Williams.

The senator said he believed that "somewhere between the armed camp of William of Germany and the open dove cote of William of Nebraska there must be an honorable abiding place for a great nation which is prepared to lead the world toward peace, but will not submit to injustice or indignity."

Emphasizing the effect of the European war on private munition makers in the United States, he told the senate that since the war began there had been 174 new corporations organized in this country for the manufacture of munitions and the value of arms and munitions exported in 15

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TRY MEN HELD IN  
EASTLAND CASE

Grand Rapids, Mich., Jan. 19.—Hearing in the cases of the six men indicted in Chicago on charges of neglect in inspection or navigation of the steamer Eastland, the tipping of which carried 812 persons to their death in Chicago last summer, will be begun in the United States district court here tomorrow.

The hearing will be to determine whether the men have been guilty of crime under the federal statutes, and whether the evidence is sufficient to warrant trial.

The men named in the indictments are William H. Hull and George T. Arnold of the Chicago and St. Joseph Steamship company; Henry Pedersen, captain and Joseph Erickson, engineer, both of Benton Harbor, and Robert Reid and Charles Eckliss, government inspectors, of Grand Haven.